

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q. What other counties have flown in Michigan?**

R. The following counties flew in Spring 2004 (See Map): \*

Allegan  
Barry  
Charlevoix  
Emmet  
Grand Traverse  
Hillsdale  
Kalamazoo  
Ionia

The following counties flew in 2005 (See Map): \*

Antrim  
Bay  
Charlevoix  
Cheboygan  
Clinton  
Eaton  
Ingham  
Lapeer  
Livingston  
Macomb  
Marquette  
Midland  
Monroe  
Oakland  
Saginaw  
St Clair  
Washtenaw  
Wayne  
Wexford

The following counties plan to fly Spring 2006 (See Map): \*

Genesee  
Leelanau  
Lenawee  
Muskegon  
St Joseph

The following counties plan to fly Spring 2007 (See Map): \*

Manistee  
Van Buren

The following counties plan to fly Spring 2008 (See Map): \*

Kent  
Roscommon

The following counties plan to fly Spring 2009 (See Map): \*

Crawford

**Q. Of the counties that have flown or plan to fly, what Counties Have a Partnership in Place with the State of Michigan?**

R. The following counties flew in Spring 2004 have a Partnership With the State of Michigan in place:

Allegan  
Barry  
Hillsdale

The following counties (that make SEMCOG) flew in Spring 2005 and have a Partnership With the State of Michigan in place (To learn more about the SEMCOG Orthoimagery Project, please visit their website at <http://www.semco.org/Products/AerialPhotos/2005RegOrtho.htm>):

Ingham  
Livingston  
Macomb  
Monroe  
Oakland  
St Clair  
Saginaw  
Washtenaw  
Wayne

Several additional Counties are in process of negotiations (Please see Map)

**Q. How many counties do you anticipate will have Orthoimagery available by the end of Phase 1: Spring 2009**

R. The SOM anticipates that all Counties will have Orthoimagery through Partnership with the SOM. However, the Counties that have not flown or do not have plans to fly in place by July 1, 2008 will be identified. The SOM will assume responsibility for coordinating flyovers in these identified counties in Phase II of the Program, Spring 2009.

**Q. What is the long-term vision for the OrthoImagery Acquisition Program?**

R. The SOM vision is complete Statewide OrthoImagery Acquisition every 5 years. The next phase will run from 2010 – 2014.

**Q. What if a County has already flown? Can they still benefit from the partnership?**

R. Yes. The SOM will enter into a Partnership for Orthoimages collected no earlier than Spring 2004

- Q. What if a County is not sure about partnering with the SOM, but would like to explore (the partnership with the SOM).**
- R. You are encouraged to go ahead and fill out the application, completing as much information as available. This will enable the SOM to start a dialogue with your county.
- Q. Why would a county enter into a partnership with the State of Michigan?**
- R. There are 3 good reasons to enter into a partnership with the State of Michigan:
- a. Cost Recovery – The funds that State contributes can be used to recoup some of the expenses incurred in the process of acquiring the ortho images for the county.
  - b. The State share from the partnership enables the County to do one or more of the following: a) Acquire better quality images earlier; b) Cover a wider geographic area than would otherwise be the case with limited funding and c) Reduced cost per contributor
  - c. The State wants to use the Data to support the Michigan Geographic Framework (MGF) program. The MGF supports many State and Local business processes related to all areas of life for your County residents:
    - a. Public Safety & Protection
    - b. Homeland Security
    - c. Economic Development
    - d. Environmental Protection
    - e. Transportation
    - f. Voter Registration & Management
    - g. Natural Resources Conservation & Management
    - h. Community Health Protection & Management
    - i. Public Education
    - j. Management and Protection of the State Agriculture

By sharing the most recent County ortho images, you are playing a key role in assuring each county has the most accurate representation.

- Q. Can I get all the partnership funds all at once, or is there a payment schedule?**
- R. If the Agency has a completed and available product, the SOM will make a single payment. If, however, the product acquisition is in process, the SOM will make payment following a payment schedule established between the Agency and the vendor as stated in the contractor's Statement of Work. The SOM will need to be invoiced
- Q. Exactly what does the County in Partnership get from the SOM?**
- R. The SOM gives the county between 10 – 20 percent of the cost of acquiring the orthoimages (See terms and conditions for details).
- Q. Exactly what does the SOM get from the Partnership with the County?**

- R.** The SOM gets use rights to the County images. If the images acquired are less than 2 foot pixels, the SOM asks permission to degrade the product to 2 foot pixels for general distribution on the CGI website. In the highly unlikely circumstance that the original products are at 2-foot Pixel Resolution, the SOM will need to negotiate with the county on a case-by-case basis.

To the extent provided by the federal, state and local laws, the SOM will NOT distribute any original products on the web site. The SOM is willing to sign the County Enhanced Access Agreement if one is available.

- \* This information was collected through a series of surveys. The list may reflect the most recent status of the projects. This is provided for general information only. For official project status, please contact the County directly.